

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending October 08, 2004 will increase by 10 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending October 01, 2004 were 226,285 cases which was 18 percent below the prior week and 8 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	185,190	41,095	226,285

% change from the prior week.....	-22	+5	-18

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate and becoming more available with most trading taking place within the quoted range. Demand was light to moderate. Floor stocks were usually adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	37-41	39
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	24-30	24-26

CENTRAL STATES AREA:
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were mixed but generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings from production areas. Finished sales were moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
04-OCT-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7.25-14.25 CENTS/LB.	10-10.75	10.51

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for at least adequate to fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were well cleared. The undertone was at least steady.

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FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
04-OCT-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8.25-15 CENTS/LB.	10.25-12	11.17

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-OCTOBER 04, 2004

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO Northeast	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO Atl	SO Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.9	27.3	5.6	14.1	10.7	70.6
	Change	-0.5	6.9	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.5	63.2	14.3	27.1	40.8	172.9
	Change	-1.2	15.5	1.6	5.8	3.1	17%
Large	Curr Wk	50.1	154.4	68.7	103.5	119.3	496.0
	Change	-4.3	21.3	2.5	12.9	8.0	9%
Medium	Curr Wk	18.3	51.6	16.3	21.1	35.0	142.3
	Change	1.2	-0.6	-0.1	-2.6	-7.8	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	7.0	14.3	5.3	8.6	7.1	42.3
	Change	0.9	1.4	-0.4	3.6	-1.0	12%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.4	32.2	8.8	18.4	5.2	71.0
	Change	1.1	-2.3	0.7	-2.2	-0.1	-4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	25.9	39.8	31.2	43.6	32.8	173.3
	Change	0.6	4.2	5.5	9.1	2.9	15%
Total	Curr Wk	148.1	382.8	150.2	236.4	250.9	1168.4
Percent	Change	-1%	14%	7%	13%	2%	8%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	1168.4	8%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	257.9	3%	35

Total Shell Egg	1426.3	7%	206
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1/ Information supplied by a universe of 171 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2004

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.00	1.97	1.88	1.16

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 20, 2004 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.57	1.57	1.47	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR OCTOBER 1, 2004

CURRENT LOADS 18.00								FUTURE LOADS 12.75				TOTAL LOADS 30.75					
SE				NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			
GNR W 1	—	—	40.25	42.00	—	—	4.00	SE	3.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.75	
GL W XL	—	—	—	54.00	50.00	—	1.00	NE	—	4.00	—	—	—	—	—	4.00	
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	28.00	5.75	MW	—	1.00	22.00	—	—	—	—	23.00	
GL W SM	—	—	25.38	27.38	—	—	2.00										
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	39.00	3.00	TOTALS	3.75	5.00	22.00	—	—	—	30.75		
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	39.00	9.00										
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00										
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	25.00	26.50	1.00										
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	26.50	28.00	1.00										

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 09/2704-10/01/04

CURRENT LOADS								74.75		FUTURE LOADS			63.25		TOTAL LOADS						138.00	
SE			NE		MW			LOADS	SC			NW		SW			LOADS					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST								
GNR W 1	39.67	46.00	40.38	41.71	—	43.00	20.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	55.00	4.00							
GNR W 2	—	—	38.50	40.00	—	—	1.00	GNR BR 1	—	59.50	—	—	58.50	62.00	1.50							
GNR W 3	20.00	21.00	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	61.00	1.00							
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	25.00	27.50	1.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	61.00	54.00	58.27	4.75							
GNR BR 1	—	—	50.00	—	—	48.00	2.00	GL W LG	55.00	58.50	—	—	53.00	52.43	10.75							
GL W J	—	—	62.00	64.00	48.00	—	2.00	GL W MD	29.00	38.00	31.00	—	—	36.33	9.00							
GL W XL	—	57.38	48.33	55.29	49.33	—	30.50	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00							
GL W LG	—	—	37.25	39.00	—	53.00	11.25	NRBS - 42	23.50	—	—	—	—	—	4.00							
GL W MD	32.00	35.00	—	—	26.50	30.71	26.00															
GL W SM	25.50	28.00	25.18	27.39	22.00	26.00	9.00															
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00															
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	41.00	39.00	4.00															
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	37.00	38.00	39.00	21.25															
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	36.00	—	—	4.50															
NRBS - 42	—	27.00	—	—	24.33	27.70	7.00															
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	26.50	28.00	2.00															

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	09/27/04	09/20/04	09/29/03
PACIFIC COAST	141	107	135
LOS ANGELES	108	70	76

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is lower on mediums, steady on the balance. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is fair to fairly good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	81.63
LARGE	77.63
MEDIUM	53.63
SMALL	43.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 10/01/2004

Report Period: 9/19/2004 - 9/25/2004

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	3,503	3,503
Arkansas	0	0	1,525	1,525
Colorado	0	0	7,710	7,710
Illinois	60	180	0	240
Iowa	3,870	6,420	48,426	58,716
Michigan	0	0	4,053	4,053
Minnesota	5,295	0	5,688	10,983
Missouri	0	0	3,723	3,723
Montana	0	0	170	170
New Hampshire	0	0	730	730
New York	0	0	850	850
North Carolina	0	0	780	780
Ohio	0	0	4,098	4,098
Oregon	2,596	4	0	2,600
Pennsylvania	0	0	850	850
South Dakota	0	0	2,516	2,516
Texas	0	0	2,962	2,962
Utah	0	2,150	7,044	9,194
Washington	0	0	448	448
TOTAL	11,821	8,754	95,076	115,651
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	11,821	8,754	95,076	115,651